## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 20 of the Second Extraordinary Session By Womack

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Mike Woods on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Mike Woods is one such estimable person who has served the City of Smyrna with probity for 25 years as City Clerk/Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Woods is a longtime Smyrna resident who proudly served his country in the military; he graduated from Middle Tennessee State University, and then in May of 1974 came to work for the City as Clerk during the administration of Mayor Sam Ridley; and

WHEREAS, over the past twenty-five years, Mike Woods has served the City of Smyrna under four Mayors, including Sam Ridley and his twin brother Knox. During that quarter century, the City of Smyrna with its strategic location and dynamic population has grown from a sleepy military town with a budget of \$500,000 to a major automobile making city with a budget in excess of \$25 million; and

WHEREAS, considerable credit for Smyrna's growth and prosperity is due to the professionalism of Mr. Woods, an administrator whose attention to detail and dependability have made him a leader in a number of projects which have contributed significantly to the economic health and stability of Smyrna; and

WHEREAS, Mike Woods exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Woods is an active and important part of the Smyrna community and his profession, participating in numerous civic and governmental organizations, including twelve years of service on the County Commission, and meritorious service as Chairman of the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce, President of the Rotary Club, President of the Jaycees, President of Leadership Rutherford, and as a member of the Board of Directors for the Boys and Girls Club, he also supported the creation of the Metro Calling Area; and

WHEREAS, Mike Woods enjoys the love and support of his lovely wife, Jackie, and his son, Jimmy, and the respect and affection of countless friends and co-workers; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mr. Woods has demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate others to reach their potential, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his peers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Smyrna has indeed been fortunate to have enjoyed the professional talent and personal commitment of Mike Woods who has worked assiduously to promote the health and the welfare of the city for 25 years; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we extend to Mike Woods our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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